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Walter ROEWKAMP *et al.*) Group Art Unit: 1646
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This Amendment and Reply to Restriction Requirement is filed in complete response to the Official Action (Restriction Requirement) mailed on September 26, 2002 (Paper No. 28). This Amendment and Reply to Restriction Requirement is timely filed by the October 28, 2002 due date (September 26 and 27, 2002 were a Saturday and Sunday, respectively).

Applicants hereby elect the claims of **Group I** (Claims 1-4, 7-9, 11 and 12), which are drawn to a fusion polypeptide comprising a cytokine and cytokine receptor, DNA encoding, and a method of treating cells with the fusion polypeptide.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Kindly replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 15, with the following:

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